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Invention: DATA DECODING APPARATUS AND METHOD, CHARGE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, DATA REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, ELECTRONIC MONEY, ELECTRONIC USE RIGHT, AND TERMINAL APPARATUS

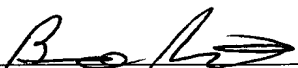
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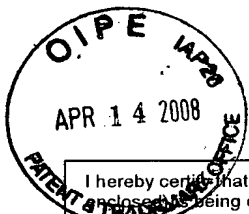
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action mailed December 3, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.